grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under Title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general Maj. Gen. Stephen B. Plummer, 0000

IN THE ARMY

The following Army National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. William F. Smith, III, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be brigadier general, Medical Corps

Col. Lester Martinez-Lopez, 0000

The following named officers for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grades indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be major general

Celia L. Adolphi, 0000
James W. Comstock, 0000
Robert M. Kimmitt, 0000
Paul E. Lima, 0000
Thomas J. Matthews, 0000
Jon R. Root, 0000
Joseph L. Thompson III, 0000
John R. Tindall, Jr., 0000
Gary C. Wattnem, 0000

To be brigadier general

Alan D. Bell, 0000 Kristine K. Campbell, 0000 Wayne M. Erck, 0000 Stephen T. Gonczy, 0000 Robert L. Heine, 0000 Paul H. Hill, 0000 Rodney M. Kobayashi, 0000 Thomas P. Maney, 0000 Ronald S. Mangum, 0000 Randall L. Mason, 0000 Paul E. Mock, 0000 Collis N. Phillips, 0000 Michael W. Symanski, 0000 Theodore D. Szakmary, 0000 David A. Van Kleeck, 0000 George H. Walker, Jr., 0000 William K. Wedge, 0000

Nominations Placed on the Secretary's $_{\rm DESK}$

IN THE AIR FORCE, ARMY, NAVY $\,$

Air Force nominations beginning Joseph A. Abbott, and ending Thomas J. Zuzack, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 27, 1999.

Army nomination of Joel R. Rhoades, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 27, 1999.

Navy nominations beginning George R. Arnold, and ending Todd S. Weeks, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 18, 1999.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—TREATIES

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider the following treaties on today's Executive Calendar: Nos 4 through 14. I further ask unanimous consent that the treaties be considered as having passed through their various parliamentary stages, up to and includ-

ing the presentation of the resolutions of ratification; all committee provisos, reservations, understandings, and declarations be considered agreed to; any statements be printed in the RECORD; and the Senate take one vote on the resolutions of ratification to be considered as separate votes. Further, that when the resolutions of ratification are voted upon, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, the President be notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate return to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

TAX CONVENTION WITH ESTONIA

The resolution of ratification is as follows:

Resolved (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein), That the Senate advise and consent to the ratification of the Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Republic or Estonia for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income, signed at Washington on January 15, 1998 (Treaty Doc. 105-55), subject to the declaration of subsection (a) and the proviso of subsection (b).

- (a) DECLARATION.—The Senate's advice and consent is subject to the following declaration, which shall be binding on the President:
- (1) TREATY INTERPRETATION.—The Senate affirms the applicability to all treaties of the constitutionally based principles of treaty interpretation set forth in Condition (1) of the resolution of ratification of the INF Treaty, approved by the Senate on May 27, 1988, and Condition (8) of the resolution of ratification of the Document Agreed Among the State Parties to the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe, approved by the Senate on May 14, 1997.
- (b) PROVISO.—The resolution of ratification is subject to the following proviso, which shall be binding on the President:
- (1) SUPREMACY OF CONSTITUTION.—Nothing in the Convention requires or authorizes legislation or other action by the United States of America that is prohibited by the Constitution of the United States as interpreted by the United States.

TAX CONVENTION WITH LITHUANIA

The resolution of ratification is as follows:

Resolved (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein), That the Senate advise and consent to the ratification of the Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Lithuania for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income, signed at Washington on January 15, 1998 (Treaty Doc. 105–56), subject to the declaration of subsection (a) and the proviso of subsection (b).

- (a) DECLARATION.—The Senate's advice and consent is subject to the following declaration, which shall be binding on the President:
- (1) TREATY INTERPRETATION.—The Senate affirms the applicability to all treaties of the constitutionally based principles of trea-

ty interpretation set forth in Condition (1) of the resolution of ratification of the INF Treaty, approved by the Senate on May 27, 1988, and Condition (8) of the resolution of ratification of the Document Agreed Among the States Parties to the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe, approved by the Senate on May 14, 1997.

- (b) PROVISO.—The resolution of ratification is subject to the following proviso, which shall be binding on the President:
- (1) SUPREMACY OF CONSTITUTION.—Nothing in the Convention requires or authorizes legislation or other action by the United States of America that is prohibited by the Constitution of the United States as interpreted by the United States.

TAX CONVENTION WITH LATVIA

The resolution of ratification is as follows:

Resolved (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein), That the Senate advise and consent to the ratification of the Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Republic of Latvia for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income, signed at Washington on January 15, 1998 (Treaty Doc. 105-57), subject to the declaration of subsection (a) and the proviso of subsection (b).

- (a) DECLARATION.—The Senate's advice and consent is subject to the following declaration, which shall be binding on the President:
- (1) TREATY INTERPRETATION.—The Senate affirms the applicability to all treaties of the constitutionally based principles of treaty interpretation set forth in Condition (1) of the resolution of ratification of the INF Treaty, approved by the Senate on May 27, 1988, and Condition (8) of the resolution of ratification of the Document Agreed Among the States Parties to the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe, approved by the Senate on May 14, 1997.
- (b) PROVISO.—The resolution of ratification is subject to the following proviso, which shall be binding on the President:
- (1) SUPREMACY OF CONSTITUTION.—Nothing in the Convention requires or authorizes legislation or other action by the United States of America that is prohibited by the Constitution of the United States as interpreted by the United States.

TAX CONVENTION WITH VENEZUELA

The resolution of ratification is as follows:

Resolved, (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein), That the Senate advise and consent to the ratification of the Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Venezuela for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Texas on Income and Capital, together with a Protocol, signed at Caracas on January 25, 1999 (Treaty Doc. 106–3), subject to the understanding of subsection (a), the declarations of subsection 9(b), and the proviso of subsection (c).

(a) UNDERSTANDINGS.—The Senate's advice and consent is subject to the following understandings, which shall be included in the instrument of ratification, and shall be binding on the President: